



Office of Recovery Act Coordination

Department of Health and Human Services

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Recovery Act:

Rhode Island Highlights



Since the enactment of the Recovery Act in 2009, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has made **\$631.4 million in stimulus funds available in the State of Rhode Island*** for community health care centers, universities and other institutions in the state to provide fiscal relief, improve and expand access to health care, provide child care and other social services for its most vulnerable citizens, establish the infrastructure for health information technology, and conduct scientific research.

This includes:

- **\$492.9 million** for the increased Federal share (FMAP) of State Medicaid costs as of Jan. 1, 2011.
- **\$44.5 million** for scientific research and facilities.
- **\$27.6 million** for health information technology (IT) to the Rhode Island Quality Institute, including:
 - **\$15.9 million** to create a Beacon Community, a pilot project to promote the widespread use of health IT.
 - **\$6 million** to create a Regional Extension Center to provide health IT support services to doctors and other providers.
- **\$12.9 million** for community health center services, construction, renovation, equipment and health IT, including:
 - **\$2 million** for Pawtucket's Blackstone Valley Community Health Care for increased demand, construction, equipment and health IT.
 - **\$1.7 million** for Johnston's Tri-Town Economic Opportunity Committee for a new service site, increased demand, construction and equipment.
- **\$8.1 million** for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), including **\$4.8 million** for subsidized jobs programs.
- **\$6 million** for Early Head Start and Head Start programs to expand services and improve quality.
- **\$5.7 million** for the Community Services Block Grant for community action agencies to reduce poverty.
- **\$5.3 million** for the Child Care and Development Fund to increase access to child care and improve quality.
- **\$3.9 million** for the Communities Putting Prevention to Work initiative for State programs targeting tobacco and obesity.
- **\$1.4 million** for immunization programs.
- **\$1 million** to help strengthen community nonprofit groups.
- **\$832,000** to support 17 National Health Service Corps clinicians providing primary health care in Health Professional Shortage Areas.
- **\$497,000** for meals and nutrition services for the elderly.

**The total amount in this document, except for FMAP Medicaid and foster care, adoption assistance and guardianship programs, is based on the HHS Dec. 31, 2010, Financial and Activity Report (FAR) for the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, available at the Department's website, <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/reports/index.html>. The FMAP amounts are based on Jan. 1, 2011, data from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and the Administration for Children and Families. The highlights are a selection of programs funded by the Recovery Act and do not add up to the total ARRA funding within the State. These dollar amounts for individual programs are based on the Dec. 31, 2010, financial report, as well as agency grantee lists and HHS releases. For more information about individual HHS programs and Recovery Act funding, see <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/>.*